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Applicant : Drill, F. et al.

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PERFORMANCE DURING CHEMICAL MECHANICAL  
POLISHING

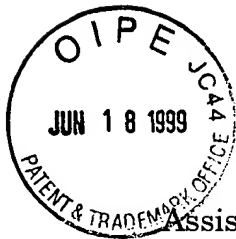
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AMENDMENT AND RESPONSE TO FIRST OFFICE ACTION

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Sir:

In response to the Office Action mailed 02/12/99, please amend the  
above-referenced Application as follows:

IN THE CLAIMS

Please amend the Claims as shown below:

1. (Amended) A customized polishing pad adapted for use in a wafer  
polishing machine, said customized polishing pad comprising:
- a polishing pad adapted for use in a wafer polishing machine;
  - a polishing surface included in said polishing pad, said polishing surface  
adapted to frictionally contact a wafer in said wafer polishing machine;
  - a first region integral with said polishing surface, said first region  
adapted to frictionally contact said wafer [, said first region adapted to achieve  
a first process effect; and];

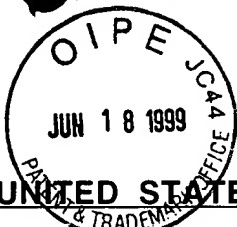
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AMENDMENT TRANSMITTAL

1. Transmitted herewith is an amendment for this application

☒ Transmitted herewith is a response to an office action for the above identified patent application.  
( 10 sheets)  
Transmitted herewith are \_\_\_\_\_ sheets of substitute formal drawings.  
Other: \_\_\_\_\_

2. Applicant is other than a small entity

**Extension of Term**

3. The proceedings herein are for a patent application and the provisions of 37 C.F.R. 1.136 apply.

(a) [X] Applicant petitions for an extension of time under 37 C.F.R. 1.136  
(fees: 37 C.F.R. 1.17(a)-(d) for the total number of months checked below:)

Extension	Fee
[ X ] one month	\$110.00
[ ] two months	\$380.00
[ ] three months	\$870.00
[ ] four months	\$1,360.00

Fee \$ 110.00

If an additional extension of time is required, please consider this a petition therefor.

(b) [ ] Applicant believes that no extension of term is required. However, this conditional petition is being made to provide for the possibility that applicant has inadvertently overlooked the need for a petition for extension of time.

## Fee Calculation

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4. The fee for claims (37 C.F.R. 1.16(b)-(d)) has been calculated as shown below:

(for other than a small entity)					
Fee Items	Claims Remaining After Amendment	Highest Number of Claims Previously Paid For	Present Extra Claims	Fee Rate	Total
Total Claims	15	- 20 =	0	x \$18.00	\$0.00
Independent Claims	3	- 3 =	0	x \$78.00	\$0.00
Multiple Dependent Claim Fee (one or more, first added by this amendment)				\$260.00	\$0.00
<b>Total Fees</b>					\$0.00

## PAYMENT OF FEES

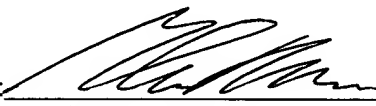
5. The full fee due in connection with this communication is \_ provided as follows:
- ☒ The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any additional fees associated with this communication or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No.: 23-0085.  
A duplicate copy of this authorization is enclosed.
- ☒ A check in the amount of \$110.00
- ☐ Charge any fees required or credit any overpayments associated with this filing to Deposit Account No.: 23-0085.

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